se novel-writing late in life. His profession is journalism; he has seen much and observed much, and his books are, to a great extent, transcripts of his experiences. He is capable of retion, he has worldly wisdom, there are shrewd touches on many a page, and he is always readfor dramatic interest, and do not insist on constructive knowledge or the power of weaving a ale into one symmetrical whole, you will find Maygrove" a book better worth attention than nine out of ten of the three-volume novels which Messrs. Bentleys' press pours forth in such num-

The Clarendon of Oxford University Press has heretofore been remarkable for sound rather than brilliant typography. But so rare in Engand in these days is either brilliant or sound typography that at the Paris Exhibition this Press obtained the only Grand Prize given any British Printer or Publisher, and two out of the English Printing is unhappily on the same downbill primrose path which English Trade in gen eral of late prefers to follow. Cheapness is the prevailing cry. But English books are not cheap, and the public gets poor paper and poor ink and poor presswork at the old high price. I speak of literature called standard or library editions. The price of these remains what it was, and the To pay three times the cost of manufacture no longer insures the buyer a wellprinted book. American printing has, on the ther hand, so much improved that books printed in America might easily get a foothold in the British market if the spelling of so many of them were English or American and not G. W. S. Websterese.

THE BROWN ALUMNI DINNER.

. COMPLIMENT TO THE NEW PRESIDENT OF

on of the Brown University Alumni, which will be held in this city on January 10, will take the form of a complimentary dinner to the Rev. Dr During the brief period in which he has been in office he has brought not only the great body of the alumni but the citizens of Providence and Rhode Island into college than have existed for many years. It is expected that these signs of increased honor and use fillness in the future for the institution will rejoice the hearts of all true sons of Brown and make them eager to meet the new president at this time and as it is generally anticipated among the alumni that the stiendance will be larger than has been seen at any previous Brown dinner in the metropolis. All who have ever been connected with the college as officer

The dinner will take place at Sherry's, Fifth-ave and Thirty-seventh-st., on Friday evening. January 16, at 7:30 o'clock. The chairman of the commit of the Brown University Club in New-York, th will Charles L. George William Curtis, Governor Ladd, of Island: Benjamin F. Thurston, fessor Wheeler, of Cornell; Colonel R. H. I. Goddard, H. K. Porter, Willard F. Sayles, of Rhode Island Alexander T. Britton, of Washington; the Rev. W. H. P. Faunce, the paster of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. and other well-known graduates and friends of the college will make addresses.

The secretary of the Brown University Club in New York is Arthur Lincoln, and his address is No. 38 Iroad The treasurer is Samuel H. Ordway, of No. 31 Nassau-si. It is requested that all who intend to be present at the dinner shall communicate immediately

The officers of the Brown University Club in New

President, Charles Hitchcock; vice president, Joseph President, Charles I transitive, Joseph E. Eishop, orthur F. Bowers, Francis Lawton; secretary, Arthur Incoln; treasurer, Samuel H. Ordway; dinner compittee, Charles L. Colby; chairmen, Edward W. Labcock, Ira Earrows, Benjamin Barker, jr., John R. Leieam, Frank E. Elliss, William E. Caldwell, George V. Carr, Lucien G. Chaffin, Garduer Colby, Norman J. Dike, James May Duane, Albert Gallup.

THE LAST OF THE FOREIGN STARS.

MISS FLORENCE ST. JOHN COMES OVER THE SEA WITH IMPROVED HEALTH.

The constellation of foreign actors which shines or the American play-goers this season is now complete. Miss Florence St. John was the last to arrive, and she came yesterday on the Servia. She was precompany and appearing on the opening night at the Eroadway Theatre Miss St. John said yesterday afternoon that she thought she had completely recovered her health, and, in fact, never felt better. The voyage, she added, had been a rough and uncom fortable one. She paid a compliment that was per-haps scarcely deserved to New-York weather, by remarking that it seemed pleasant, after leaving London, to see a blue sky and the sun shining.

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Miss St. John is to play the part of Marguerite in
"Faust up to Date," and will be seen for the first
time to morrow evening. She said that the members
of the other branch of the Gaiety Company, which
was here last year, were all well, including "Fred"
Leslie, and that "Ruy Blas" was pro-pering. Miss
St. John spoke pleasantly of American actors who
have visited England, and especially of Miss Minnie
Palmer, whose place this year at the head of the
Christmas pantomine at Her Majesty's Theatre she
thought a remarkably good one. ught a remarkably good one.

THEATRES OPEN DAY AND NIGHT.

Many of the theatres have had small audiences for last week or so. This is usually the case just before Christmas, but now good houses are expected for a time, and theatrical people are feeling more heerful in the hope of making many others cheerful. All the city playhouses will give matinees this afternoon and the holiday crowds are expected in the evening as well. Just what connection there should be between the Christmas holidays and a pantomime does not at mee appear to the casual observer, but the consection is honored by time. "Kajanka" lays claim to being a Christmas piece, and there will be a matine at Niblo's Garden every day for the rest of the week Over in the Bowery the frequenters of the Windson Theatre have "The Bells of Haslemere" offered them Edwin H. Price's company. Up in Broadway there is another Christmas play, "The Twelve Temptations," at the Star. People who cannot go home to the country for a holiday rest may find something to remind them of what they would see and hear there in "The County Fair " and "The Old Home-" at the Union Square Theatre and the Academy of Music.

There has been a belief that witches could work spells at Christmas, but Herrmann can induige in magic of all sorts just as freely then as any other time, as anybody will find who goes to the Fourteenth Street Theatre. At the Amberg Theatre there will be a children's matinee of "Snowwhite," and in the evening Ernst Possare will play "Three Wives at The melodrama "My Jack" will hold the stage of the Grand Opera House at both performances. and "Shenandoats" will be acted twice at Proctor's Twenty-third Street Theatre. The usual matines of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" will be omitted at the Madison Square Theatre, awn "Aunt Jack" will be seen both afternoon and evening. Charity is a good thing for Christmas and so is "The Charity Ball," which will be found at the Lyceum Theatre. "Twelfth Night" is pretty nearly in season too-quite nearly enough to old its place at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, and Mr. Daly's production of " As You Like It" is sure to add

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There will be no matince at Palmer's Theatre, but there will be one to-morrow, and then, as well as this evening. *King Richard III" will be the play. At Dockstader's the vandeville company headed by sicriden and Flynn will give two performances, and at the Bijou "A Brass Monkey" will celevinate the day. The Standard offers "The Seven Ages," as a matter of course, and Barry and Fay play "Irish Aristocracy at the New Park. This is the last week of their long stay. *Erminio" is also nearing the end of its run at the Casino. "The pust up to Date" will offer its attactions to lovers of English burlesque and skirt dancing at the Broadway.

THE UNDERWRITERS AND ELECTRIC WIRES.

The possibility that the late Boston fire was caused by an electric wire has awakened the insurance companies of that city to renewed exertions to prevent such accidents. Efforts have been made to interest the Boston Society of Architects to see if some understanding cannot be arrived at whereby architects may to electric lighting work should be accepted only when done in strict accordance with such rules as might from time to time be agreed upon between the underwriters and electric lighting work in the rules as might from time to time be agreed upon between the underwriters and electric lighting work with such rules as might from time to time be agreed upon between the underwriters and electric lighting work in the stranger of the test of the time and locality, and his and include at an all plants and on the sand on the sand an lucplination to the young of the edo. Then he took a train for the North, paid the echo. Then he took a train for the North, paid of his son; it seems. A father's love and hope, of this son; it seems. A fat

prohibit all concealed wiring, unless the wires are supported on insulators such as porcelain knobs or other equally good non-combustible insulating substance and kept from contact with any part of the building. Wires, however, may be run in some approved insulating non-combustible waterproof tubing.

AULD LANG SYNE.

AN EXPLANATION BY THE REV JOHN W. CHAD.

THE COLAH CASE TO BE SETTLED.

FRIENDS OF NATHANIEL JARVIS, JR., MAKE UP A FUND FOR HIM-TERMS OF THE

BETTLEMENT. The friends of Nathaniel Jarvis, ir., have come forward and made up a fund to settle the litigation over the estate of Bomanjee Byramjee Colah. the Parsee merchant, who became insane while in this city and went home to die in an insane asylum. Surrogate Ransom has issued an order allowing Prescott Hall Butler, the ancillary administrator of the estate, to settle the case out of court for \$65,800. Colah came to this country nearly twenty years ago, and while staying at the St. Nicholas Hotel became violently insane. He five gold medals that went the same road. had property in this country, mostly in money,

amounting to about \$82,000. When he was sent to India Mr. Jarvis was made a committee in charge of the insane man's After the merchant's death in India Prescott Hall Butler was made ancillary administrator of his estate, and he learned that hir Jarvis had made disastrous investments. He sued Jarvis, and in 1886 he recovered a judgment in the Supreme Court against him for \$76,075. The General Term of the same court modified the judgment by deducting \$4,261.85, and the remainder was reduced \$5,648.34 by the assignment of a mortgage held by Mr. Jarvis to Mr. Butler. That was the condition in which the case has been for some time and is now pending before the Court of Appeals. In last May Franklin Bartlett, on behalf of friends of Mr. Jarvis, negotiated for a settlement. He announced that \$50,060 had been subscribed to the fund for a settlement and offered that amount to Mr. Butler, but Joseph II. Choate, counsel for Mr. Batler, after consulting with Colah's widow, announced that the case would be settled for \$65,000.

Under the arrangement \$10,000 has been paid to Mr. Butler's counsel; \$45,000 is held by Edward Lavyis.

N. Dickerson, whose father was one of Mr. Jarvis's dsmen, and \$15,000 is to be paid on the entry of the order.

INCIDENTS IN SOCIETY.

The principal social occurrence of last night was a surprise" party given at Mrs. Astor's house, No. 35 It is difficult to tell why it should be called a surprise party, as the arrangements have been a house of Mrs. Bradley Martin, No. 22 West Twentieth st., at 11 o'clock, and there put on white satin dominoes rimmed with holly in approved Christmas style. They were then driven to Mrs. Astor's house in omnibuses, and found the hostess awaiting them, having prepared for her guests a handsome entertainment, making them the ones surprised.

The rooms of Mrs. Astor's house were decorated with great taste. In the drawing-rooms were large roses lery, which was used for the ballroom, and for the oc-casion was transformed into a perfect Christmas bower. ever the mantel was a great Santa Claus, and from the mantel were suspended about forty long silk stockings well filled with bonbons, these being given out as favors for the figure of the german. Other favors consisted of snowballs, boots filled with bonbons, etc. A general collection of Christmas knick-knacks was heaped in a white and silver sleigh, which was pushed about room on follers instead of runners. where the musicians sat was hung gallery holly and mistletoe, and the passageway leading into the ballroom was hung with curtain of holly gracefully held up at one side. In the dining-room the buffet was set with the mossier silver plate of the Astor family.

H. Le Grand Cannon led the german. The guests numbered about eighty and the german was danced by thirty-five couples, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Drayton, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Astor, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic Eronson, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bend, Miss Amy Bend, Miss Jeanne Turnure, Mrs. Arthur Paget, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Martin, Mr. and Arthur Paget, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Martin, Mr. and
Mrs. Elliott Roosevelt. Miss Georgie Berryman, Miss
Post, Miss Hargous, Miss Annie Cutthing, Miss Grace
Wilson, R. T. Wilson, Thomas Howard, Jr., Elisha
Dyer, 3d. E. L. Winthrep, Miss Winthrop, E. L. Winthrop, Jr., M. H. Herbert, Brockhoist Cutthing,
W. M. Cuttling, Creighton Webb, Goold Redmond, Mr.
and Mrs. Robert Goeiet, Mrs. Van Reunsselaer Cruger,
Fred Beach, Miss Hecksher and Mrs. Burke Roche.
The supper, an elaborate one, was served by Pinard,
the guests sitting at small tables. In most of its
festures the dance was like one given at Delmonico's
on Christmas Eve four years ago by the Messrs. Sanford.

dinner-party for Miss Schreiner, of Paris, last night, after which the party went to the Broadway Theatre. The guests were Miss Berryman, Miss Annie Cutting, Miss Post, Miss Hecksher, Miss Coroin, Miss Harrons, Frederick D. Thompson, J. L. Kernochan, Alfonso de Navarro, Manuel de la Cueva, L. Herbert, H. Garden and W. M. Fähnestock, Mrs. Kidd and Mrs. Rarton Horrison were the matrons of the party. The table decorations were of holly and mistletoe, while for the ladies there were bunches of violets and yellow roses made of pineapple fibre, brought for the occasion from Paris.

" MY JACK" AT THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE. Benjamin Landeck, the author of "My Jack," a melodrama which was played for the first time in this country at the Grand Opera House Monday night, is said to be only twenty-one years old. The play is well enough constructed to be worthy of an older man and one of longer experience. In plan, incident and method of treatment, however, it does not differ essentially from the recognized type of melodrama. It gives opportunity for good scenery and mechanical effects, and these are taken advantage of by the artist and the stage manager. Much of the scenery, hich is painted by Matt Morgan, is especially bright and pleasing to the eye.

The acting of the piece was in capable hands. J. H The acting of the piece was in capable hands. J. H. Gilmour had a more genuinely manly appearance than many a meiodramatic hero. W. J. Ferguson is a good actor of a psculiar sort of interesting villain, and his part suited him admirably. Wilton Lackage played a villain of a different sort well. Miss Katherine Rogers, Miss Isabelle Evesson and Miss Emily Lytton were all pleasing in their various parts, and Dan Leeson, Lawrence Eddinger and Russell Bassett also deserve mention. The audience was large, and enjoyed and applanded the more striking situations, such as the saving of shipwrecked men by a small boot, as much as if there had been nothing improbable about a shoop manned by one old sallor and a girl sailing around in a tempest within a few feet of a rocky coast.

PROTECTING THE GAME AT TUXEDO.

Newburg, Dec. 24 (Special).—The Board of Supervisors of Orange County, having made Tuxedo a town, have enacted a law which says no person shall for three years from the date of the enactment, except in the months of October and November, take, catch-hill, wound, trap, not or snare any hare, rabbit, woodcock, ruffed grouse, commonly called partridge; or pinnated grouse, commonly called prairie chicken; and the killing of any quall is entirely prohibited during the same period under the penalty of the

MR. GRADY AND HIS BOY,

From The St. Louis Gicbe-Democrat.

The whole conntry admires Mr. Grady in his capacity as an orator. He has a nimble fancy, a rich vocabulary, and a happy faculty of adapting himself to the conditions of the occasion. Now and then, however, this last-named gift plays him a trick, and puts him in a very awkward, not to say ridiculous, situation. He is particularly liable to such misfortunes when his appointments come too close together and the places at which he speaks are too far apart. For instance, he made a pretty, pathetic speech at Atlanta last week in behalf of a project to raise money for the construction of a statue of the late Jetterson Davis, in the course of which he exclaimed, with his hand on his heart and his eyes in fine fronzy rolling: From The St. Louis Glebe-Democrat.

rolling:
"I have a boy who is the hope of my life, and there is no man living or dead to the base of whose statue. I would send him sooner to learn the duties of a citizen and a patriot than the statue of the golden-hearted gentleman whose death we mourn to-day. Let us build this statue that it may perpetuate the memory of this great man, honor the soil on which it is set, and stand as an example and an inspiration to the young of our city."

AN EXPLANATION BY THE REV JOHN W. CHAD-WICK.

To the Aditor of The Tribune. Sir: There was a slight mistake in your report of my service yesterday morning. It said that I recited "Auld Lang Syne," Now, while I have a great ad-miration for that immortal song, I should hardly think of using it as a part of a religious service, though 1 have heard that Scotch Presbyterians sometimes close their solemn assemblies with "Willie Brewed a Peck o' Maut" instead of the regular Doxology. The verses I recited were my own, and the title "Auld Lang Syne" has been affixed to them because they were sung to that music when they were first written, in 1876, and are set to it in various hymnals in which they have appeared. They were sung to that music at the funeral of your excellent coadjute Dr. George Ripley. I append them in order that you may print them if you choose to do so:

It singeth low in every heart, We hear it each and all .-A song of those who answer not, They throng the silence of the breast, We see them as of yore,-The kind, the brave, the true, the sweet,

Who walk with us no more. 'Tis hard to take the burden up. When these have laid it down; They brightened all the joy of life,

Thanks he to God that such have been,

More homelike seems the vast unknown,

They softened every frown :

Since they have entered there; To follow them were not so hard Wherever they may fare; They cannot be where God is not, On any sea or shore;

Whate'er betides, Thy love abides, Our God, forevermore. JOHN W. CHADWICK. Yours truly. Brooklyn, Dec. 23, 1889.

CONGRESSMEN'S LOST SALARIES.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Why should the Government reimburse the embers of Congress whose money was taken by Was he not appointed by Congress draw their pay for them, and could they not have

drawn their pay themselves! one who loses money by trusted employes expect Congressmen have lost through Sileott's dishonesty. Are they to be reimbursed by Uncle Sam? Of co-Are they to be reimbursed by Uncle Sam! Of course members of Congress can vote to themselves back pay and lost pay, if their consciences will allow them; but is it right? Could not the Treasurer of the United States send to each member and Schator every month a check for their salary and thus make a loss to them impossible?

New York, Dec. 21, 280. impossible? New-York, Dec. 21, 1880.

plest time in all the year for everybody; yet there exceptions, the saddest. While the public or private full salary and given vacations, the "visiting governess" must take an enforced vacation, sometimes of two means, who at this time has been buying scores of expensive presents for the people "who expect to be remembered." and would fain replenish her exchequer think that the teacher's board-bill, and, if supporting others, house-rent, butcher's, grocer's and coal-bills in to meet them? True, the teacher may receive from her patron some expensive gift she does not need, and would never think of buying, and she has a vacation given her. But, while grateful for the remembrance, how gladly would she forego both hollremembrance, how guarly would she forego both hol-day and present purchased at the cost of anxiety and debt. Think heaven, there are exceptions; and last year, for the first time, I received my full salary, and as a consequence was able to enjoy my holday free from anxiety. VISITING GOVERNESS. New-York, Dec. 24, 1889.

Sir: In some newspapers there appeared some incorrect statements concerning the disappearance of Oreste Ansaldi, the bookkeeper of the Italian Benevolent society. He hever had been its eashier, and sooner or later you will have to do it in self-defence, never handled any money of the same. Its eashier is Then do it gracefully, and do it new. South Fifth-ave., prominent merchants of this city. 88 60 on account of third parties who confided them to him as creditors toward the society, and besides he got two transatlantic tickets, worth 864 in total, upon one forged order. That's all, and the society suffered New-York, Dec. 24.

CONSISTENCY IN PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Editor of The Tribune Sir: I was in Harlem yesterday and saw two gangs of men working on the same block. One was engaged in covering up the new subway for electric light cires, and the other in stringing up overhead electric ight wires for the Manhattan Electric Light Company, err consistent, is it not? JOHN HOWARD. New-York, Dec. 21, 1889.

A GOOD OLD CUSTOM. To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: I was glad to see in your paper a suggestion to revive the custom of making New Year's calls. The most discourteous social act the ladies of New-York ever indulged in was their refusal to see their friends who called on New Year's Day. The custom was one which gave a significance to the friendly, genial style of New-York city life far above any other since introduced, native or imported. Wine, coffee and other refreshments may be dispensed with but surely door might be opened and the hand of friendship xtended to those who came with good wishes for he opening year.

AN OLD NEW-YORKER.

New-York, Dec. 24, 1889.

AN APPEAL FOR A FATHERLESS FAMILY. To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: I would most respectfully call your attention to an extreme case of destitution of a family of six children and a mother by the name of Lebermann living in the second story of the rear tenement No. 533 Wes Forty-second-st. The father died on Thursday last from consumption. Only one of the children is from consumption. Unly one of the children is old enough to earn anything, and he for the last six months has supported the family on a salary of \$4 a week. Their rent is past due, they have little in the house to eat, and are worthy of the help of those who have better off. I hope you will call attention to this case in your columns, and by so doing bring much needed relief to a suffering family.

B. A. R. New-York, Dec. 22.

DR. BRIDGMAN ON THEATRE-GOING.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: While I highly appreciate the vivid and picturesque account you published of an interview with me. I hope your readers will not be led to con clude that I relish a dramatic performance more that a devotional meeting, and cry for "a good old comedy" whenever I "want to be lifted above the burdens that surround me." It is not "often" that I have the time, or the disposition, to pass an evening with "the players," and must confess that sometimes a much wiser selection could have been made of the play to be witnessed. Still, I am thankful for the genius which illuminates the stage, that there are genius which illuminates the stage, that there are so many actors who recognize the high claim of their art, and are able to charm away the cares and anxieties of the busy, tired men and women about us while teaching them lessons of truth, sympathy and charity. We have passed beyond the time when the indiscriminate condemnation of all plays alike could keep our young people away from the theatre, and good will be gained, it seems to me, when the self-respecting actor is assured of the sympathy of Christian people, and dramatist and manager are encouraged in the production of plays in which the best forms of human life find expression, and our domestic relations are honored. I am, respectfully yours, relations are honored. I am, respectfully yours, C. D'W. BRIDGMAN.

New-Yark, Dec. 23, 1889.

YOU CANNOT BE TOO SPECIFIC. From The Scattle (Wash.) Press. A gentleman walked into a restaurant yesterday and

ordered "a dozen fried."

The waiter took the order, but returned in a few moments with the query:
"Do you want eggs or oysters, sir?"
This so pleased Chief of Police Mitchell that he gave his waffic a bath in vinegar instead of maple syrup.

world of letters knows, through the exquisite poems which both there wrote. Mrs. Browning's "Cosa Guidi Windows" and her hasband's "Two in the Campagna," will live for ages as a record of their lives.

GLANCES HERE AND THERE.

Now that the people are taking the least little bit of interest in their streets-enough, at all events, to say "Oh. yes, shocking; shocking!"-it is a good time to ask once again three simple whys: 1. Why not give full notice to the street obstructors to cease obstructing after a certain date! 2. Why not fix a price per yard per day, to be paid in advance by every man or company, who, for any purpose or on any pretence, meddles with the pavement! 3. Why not make him, or it, deposit, in advance, enough money to pay for the restoration of the pavement by the street Department! Never mind the criminal code; just take his money.

One of the worst vices of modern legislation of all sorts is the craze for creating new crimes, and throwing the whole weight of enforcing the law on the aiready and always overworked criminal courts. There the cases choke one another to death. Besides, you have to prove everything beyond the power of the twelfth idiot to doubt. And the doubting power of his race is enormous. His constitution, or at all events, his by laws compel him to doubt whatever is proved, and to accord an instant and unshakable credulity to the things that can't be proved because they are not true. they are not true.

There is a cult that has for its creed the daily and hourly need of new laws. Yet the common sense of legislators tells them the real want is the enforcement of the old laws. And that, among other things, is why Congress, for instance, sits down so patiently un der the slow and painful grinding of the antiquated machinery of obstruction. Rights of the minority Pshaw! the minority has no rights, except to fair treatment and full consideration. Our forty-nine Legislatures, to say nothing of the town councils by the thousand that like to play at legislation, have made more laws in this year 1889 than you can find in all the codes from Moses to Montesquieu. So little is their enforcement cared for, that nine in every ten may be looked upon as mere expressions of opinion.

Sweet are the uses of adversity. At the second hint in these columns that a particularly brilliant system of gas-lighting was to be seen at the lower end of Madison-ave., away goes every lamp, like a flight of partridges. In their places twiddle the old-fashioned fishtalls, borrowing an added obscurity from unclean glass. Very well, now let us start fair and give gas, at its best, mind, a fair trial, where all may see and compare it with electricity at its best, too, on adjoining blocks. Perhaps you think gas will not win! Good; then why not try the ex-periment and prove it!

A freight car famine, ch! Why, of course. all our roads the cars stand idle half the day; some whole towns lend their streets for storage, and some roads practically own no freight cars, but live and

its adoption was greatly hastened by the fact that the existing means of transport had long been outgrown went by canal; and Liverpool, for example carry. Passengers hired special conveyances or travelled by coach, and every night 1.400 coaches rolled out of the London yards. If you were in haste you might post the 210 miles from London to Liverpool in twenty-four hours for \$100. The world was ready for the new order. was full of merchandise that the canals could not

In America, as in the Old World, the towns were the rivers; roads were few and mostly bad, and the chief travel was by water. When the time came for us to cross the hills and plains, there was the ranway, so we stopped short in our new career of road-making and left the great traffic to the rail and the side traffic to the "dirt" road. Now, at last, we are face to face with a new era of road-making, certain to give work and opportunity for the hands and brains of American engineers for a generation at least. How long, for example should you say it would be before New-York and her step-sisters over the waters are not merely connected, but united? railway, so we stopped short in our new career of

So, another slur at the marines. Yet everyon who knows anything about them knows that, in peace as in war, no branch of the U. S. service has done its whole duty more faithfully, more zealously, or more usefully. None has borne more patiently with senseless objequy and unreasoning neglect, and of both the poor "marine" has always, in every service, been treated to an extra ration. The truth is the marines have, on land and sea, a glorious record, such us the country may well be proud of. Why does not some one write the history of the corps and set it forth?

Take away the little strainers and free the big

Ansaldi cashed an order for \$12 and another for the Chinese in 1850, was it? Oh. no; Captain Cobk

An esteemed correspondent says: "You are so down on philology; what say you about 'rule the roast'? Is it or is it not properly 'rule the roost.'? Richardson says so." Don't know. Can't say. How did Richardson know! Besides he only suggests it. shot Samuel Auglin. The shooting grew out of family The etymology is confessedly obscure. If one may avail of the inalienable Yankee prerogative of guess-send and Adams assert that Auglin was attacking them with a bowie knife. ing, why may not "rost," as Shakspeare writes it, have come neither from "roast" nor "roost," but have come neither from "roast" nor "roost," but from the same root as the French "rote" or English "rote" meaning the papal court of that name, the English "roster" (origin unknown) meaning a military roll in order of service, and the French word "rotare" meaning piebelan state or commonalty. All these seem to be cousins, and you know we have dropped nearly every Norman-French "s" before "t," retaining it only in such old law phrases as "cestuy," or "cestul que trust." Farewell.

At last accounts the remains of the good printer who set up "New Pork" had not been found in sewer. He still lives, and long may he; but luckily for him he neither lives in nor was he speaking of the proud city that holds its own, and its nose, and would fain hold the World's Fair, by the green waters of Lake Michigan.

Prone is a nice word, truly. Lurid sounds well. Like the oyster of our common country, goes well before almost anything. But kindly omit flowers of rhetoric when they don't match; and, as the "Southrons" put it, "do don't" say "prone" when you mean flat on his back, and "lurid" when you mean brilliant. For further particulars see small dictionaries.

For nearly a score of years the English newspapers have periodically announced the last, and the very last and positively the last, of that magnificent but generally useless ship called the Great Eastern. She has been a huge sinking fund from the day that the first plate of her keel was laid in 1853, and she proved a commercial failure, having performed only one practically serviceable and honorable task-that of laying the Atlantic telegraphic cable in 1866. Perhaps it should be said, however, that she has been of service in deterbe said, however, that she has been of service in deterring investors from making similar foolish ventures in shipbuilding. She had lived thirty years of an obscure and a profitese existence before the "positively last" of her as a floating obstruction was reached. From the time of the fill-success of the first attempt to launch her she was a sort of Jonah. Men were killed by the breaking of the gear of the hydraulic engines that slowly pushed her, almost broadside on, into the comparatively narrow river. Mr. Brunel, her constructing engineer, died a few days later from anxiety and disappointments. Then came the explosion of one of the sleam pipes on her first trip, at the cost of ten lives. Her single voyages to this port, to New-Orleans and to Melbourne resuited in a loss of several thousands of deliars. Finally the leviathan that cost about a million sterling to build was sold only recently for a little more than \$200,000, and she is being broken up. The sale realized \$2.000 for the copper, \$24,480 for the gun metals, \$3,180 for the brass, \$4,185 for the lead, £12,500 for the outer iron plates, £12,300 for the anchors.

grow dim, and when "war" is mentioned one asks if it is that in which Perry figured or when Cherubusco was stormed. But time basn't yet made all the relics of "the late unpleasantness" valueless Young George B. McClellan, whose retirement from newspaper work into official position and the bliss of the benedict was recently noted, has locelyed a neat little tribute from S. B. Derrickson, the manager of one of the brokers' offices not far from the Whidsor Hotel, in the shape of a photograph of his father, "Little Mac," President Lincoln and the suite of the President and General McClellan. It was taken at the headquarters of the Anny of the Potomac shorily before the battle of Antietam. Mr. Derrickson says confidently that it is the only copy of this photograph extant. newspaper work into official position and the bliss

A TARIFF ON MINISTERS.

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members of the 7th Regiment. Men now in the regi-ment are also admitted, but have no "say" in the government of the club. As soon as they attain the dignity of veterans, they can become full-fledged members. The club is popular and prosperous, and has already about 500 members on its rolls. officers are: President, Colonel Locke W. Winchester; vice-president, Henry W. T. Mall; secretary, Edward G. Arthur, and treasurer, Abraham Garrison.

The club has leased its home from a member of the Vanderbilt family. The house is beautiful for situation, and the equipments of its interior are fuxuriou and ample. It is the house which was once owned and occupied by Jacob Weeks, wealthy coal merchant. It stands on on the southwest corner of Fifty eighth-st. and Fifth-ave. The rooms are all light. On one side the outlook is to the plaza at the Fifth-ave. and Fifty-ninth-st. entrance to Central Park. The front of the house is in Fifth-ave.

It was intended that the fermal opening of the club-house should take place last night; but finally the House Committee decided that it would be more convenient to have it in the morning. about twenty five members of the club assembled is the house at 9 a. m. Among them were Henry W. T Mall, Edward G. Arthur, Abraham Garrison, Edmund Hendricks, John C. Giffing, T. J. Oakley Rhinelander, James P. Burrell, Colonel Floyd Clarkson, John G. Hecksher, F. A. Goodwin, Edward Earle, W. Lee Darling, August Schimmel, G. G. Brinckerhoff, W. R. Macdismard, and H. M. Fairchild.

They ascended to the roof, and at twenty-five minutes past 0 Mr. Mall, in the unavoidable absence of the president, hoisted the star-spangled banne over the new "home of the brave." Then the clui colors were run up beside the flag of the United States. Cheers were given, and the party finished the celebration in the pariors and reading room.

These rooms are on the first floor, where also the reception-room. They are comfortably furnished, are heavily carpeted, and are fitted with plush curare heavily carpeted, and are litted with plush cur-tains. The decoration has not yet been finished. Most of the articles of ornament used will be supplied by the members, and many artistic knick-knacks and fine pictures have been already collected, and will be arranged as soon as possible. The colors used in the equipment of the rooms are quiet. Dark maroon is the shade that prevails in carpets and furniture. The walls and ceiling are finished in gray, brown and yel-low.

On the basement floor there is a big dining-room and the kitchens. The club intends to rains with any other club in town in respect of "cuisine," and the steward was for a long time with the Union Club. All the attendants employed are men who have had experience in other, first-rate clubs?

The hall is wide and the staircase broad. On the

The half is wide and the staticate observed second floor are the billiard-room, the pool-room, committee-room and the card-room, all properly fastefully fitted and furnished. On the third fourth floors are bedrooms, which will be let to members. The ventilation and other hygienic pliances of the club-house are perfect. It is light with both electricity and gas, and will form an leaves for the bors in gray, young and old.

GENERAL WARREN'S PORTRAIT AT WEST POINT Newburg, N. Y., Dec. 24 .- An oil painting of Major-General Gouverneur Kemble Warren was presented some days ago to the United States Military Academy by triends of the deceased officer, and was to-day placed in position in Grant Hall as a Christmas gift to the corps of cadets. The donors Christmas gitt to the corps of cades. The don-were James C. Carter, Joseph H. Choate, Judge Hen E. Howland and others, of New York, and Colon Samuel R. Houley and others, of Newport. Gener Warren was a graduate of West Point, and was brave Union officer in the late war.

The Executive Committee of the Southern Society met last evening at the club-house, No. 18 West Twenty-fifth-st., to take action on the death of Henry W. Grady. The following telegram was sent to Mrs. Grady, at Atlanta:

"The New-York Southern Society, profoundly af "The New-York Southern Society, problemly as-facted by a sense of the public loss sustained in the death of your distinguished husband, offers you their heartfelt sympathy in the great affliction you have suffered."

At a future meeting of the society suitable resolu-tions will be passed.

MUST FIND ANOTHER NAME FOR ITSELF. Boston, Dec. 24 -Judge Holmes, of the Supreme court, decided to-day, in the case of the International Trust Company against the International Loan and Trust Company, that the defendant will be enjoined

KENTUCKIANS SETTLE A FAMILY DISPUTE Louisville, Ky., Dec. 24.-Near Mount Vernon, Ky. last night, James Townsend and William Adams fatally

BEHEADED BY A SHORE LINE TRAIN.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 24.-Joseph Stott, age forty ree, a jewelry merchant, who has been ill for sor time, left his house early this morning and went t the track of the Old Colony Railroad, waited for the Shore Line train, placed his neck across the rails and was beheaded. He leaves a widow.

OVERFLOWING CORN. HOUSES OF KANSAS Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 24.-A dispatch to "The Star" from Topeka, Kan., says: "A State official who returned from a trip throughout Northwest Kan-sas says that thousands of bushels of corn are being surned for fuel. In some counties the market price for our need. In some counties the market price for corn is less than 15 cents per bushel, while coal is from 25 to 35-cents per bushel. The corn makes excellent fuel. The corn crop on hand is immense. In all the principal corn-producing counties it is stacked up in great racks, without protection of any sort, it having been impossible for the last thirty days to obtain cars to move it in. Every railroad is short from 500 to 2,000 cars."

AN INTRUDER UPON A SECRET SESSION.

Washington dispatch to The Baltimore Sun.

While the Senate was sitting in executive session this afternoon the members were at first not a little startled to see a man in one of the gallerles who looked about him as if enjoying the sensation he had created. As soon as possible word was conveyed to the doorkeeper in charge of the gallery, and the intruder was lustled out and down stairs. He was a young fellow of about eighteen, and the doorkeeper says had the appearance of one just recovering from the effects of a long debauch. No effort was made to detain him. The doorkeeper explains that the stranger must have fallen under a bench before the doors were closed, and thus escaped observation. A gentleman who heard the doorkeeper's description of the man stated that he had seen him the thought loaning about the Capitol for several days, but would not say that he believed him to have concealed himself in the gallery for any ulterior purpose. The incident created quite a sensation, as none of those around the Capitol could remember that a similar one had ever before occurred.

TO TELL THE AGES OF STRANGERS.

From The Punxsutawney (Penn.) Spirit. "Give me a list of the names of the men in any city or town in this country and, without ever having seen or heard of them, I will tell you half their ages," said a prominent citizen yesterday.

"How can you do that!" asked an incredulous by-

"How can you do that?" sance an in the first stander.

"Simply by the initials of their names. In the first place you must remember that about half of the male population of this country have been named after Presidents of the United States or candidates for President, and all you have to do is to know when these dent, and all you have to do is to know when these Presidential candidates were at the zenith of their Presidential candidates were at the zenith of their popularity. Of course exceptions must be made of george Washington and Andrew Jackson, for people

A CLUB-HOUSE FOR VETERANS,
EX-MEMBERS OF THE 7TH REGIMENT HAPPY

THEY TAKE POSSESSION OF A NEW HOME ON
THE DAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS AND
MAKE MERRY.

Veterans of the 7th Regiment spent a picasant Christmas Eve in their new club-house at Fifty-eighthst. and Fifth-ave. The 7th Regiment Veteran Clao, as its name implies, extends its full privileges to old members of the 7th Regiment. Men now in the regiment of the 7th Regiment. Men now in the regiment of the 7th Regiment. Men now in the regiment of the 7th Regiment. Men now in the regiment.

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MARRIED.

ROSE-DAVISON-On Monday evening, December 25, at the residence of William H. Townsond, New-York City by the Rev. William H. Clark, D. D., of Palladeinma, Emma Louise, daughter of the late Henjamin Davison, M. D., of Nyack, N. Y., to Mr. Hiland C. Rose, of Roseton, N. Y.

Notices of marriage must be indorsed with full name and address.

ANDREWS-Of heart failure, at Plankill-on-the-Hudson (Matteawan P. O.), on Monday, December 23, 1889, James Edward Andrews, son of the late James Walsh An-drews.

Funeral private. Interment at Woodlawn.

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BISHOP—On the 22d inst., Charlotte E., daughter of Elias and Catherine Beshop.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

New Haven and Hartford papers please copy.

HUBBARD—On Tuesday, December 24, Mrs. A. R. Hubbard, wife of the late Captain S. E. Hubbard.

Funeral from No. 115 East 10th at. on Thursday evening, 20th inst., at 8 o'clock.

Interment at convenience of family.

MIDDLETON—On Monday, December 23, 1889, at his residence, No. 784 6th-ave., after a brief lilness, Thomas W. S. Midfleton in the 70th year of his age.

Funeral services at Ascension Chapel, 43d.st., south side, west of Sth-ave., on Thursday December 26, 1889, at 10-39 a. m. Friends are kindly invited.

Interment at Flushing.

NEARING—Early Monday morning, after a long and NEARING-Early Monday morning, after a long and lingering illness, Margaret Amelia Nearing, widow of Alfred N. Nearing, and daughter of the late William

Hillman.
Funeral services from her late residence, 80 St. Mark's-ave., Brooklyn, Wednesday, December 25, 1889 (Christmas), at 2 o'clock p. m.
Relatives and friends are respectfully requested to attend. (Catskill, N. Y., papers please copy.)
PARR—On Monday, December 2., 1889, John Parr. st.
Relatives and friends are invited to attend the tuneral services at his late residence, No. 331 West 55th-at., on Wednesday evening, December 25, at 8 o clock.
Interment at the convenience of the family.

STEWART-On Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1889, after a long and painful illness, borne with Christian fortitude, Anne towart. ends are respectfully invited to attend funeral, from her to residence, 472 West 24th-st., on Thursday, 26th

STORRS—Suddenly, December 22, at Peorla, Ill., Maryett M., reliet of the late Charles Storrs, of Brooklyn.

Interment at Mansfield, Conn., December 26. Interment at Mansheld, Conn., December 20.

TOMPKINS—At White Plains, N. Y., Monday, December
23. of Bright's disease, Marion W., daughter of the late
I. Warren and Mary Smith Tompkins.

Friends are invited to attend the Inneral services from
Grace Church on Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

WALLEN-Entered into rest after a lingering filness,
Henry D., eldest son of the late Gen. H. D. Wallen.
Notice of funeral later.
Grand Rapids, Mich., papers please copy.
WOOD-At Jollet, Hinois, on December 24, 1889, William
Cowper Wood, in the 67th year of his age.
WRIGHT-On Monday, December 23, Jane Wright, aged
40 years. Funeral services from late residence, No. 2,273 7th-ave., Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

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from doing business in this commonwealth under its present name. The Judge intimated that it might be that if the seendant added the words "of Kansas City," it could use its present name, but he did not settle that point, and the case will go to the full bench on appeal. (made by Standard Perfumery Works) are delicate, tasting Sold by leading dealers in perfumery.

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Letters for foreign countries need not be specially addressed for dispatch by any particular steamer, except when it is desired to send duplicates of banking and commercial documents, letters not specially addressed being sent by the fastest vessels available.

Foreign mails for the week ending December 28 will close (promptly in all cases) at this office as follows:

WEDNESDAY-At 2:30 a m. for Europe, per s. S. City of Paris, via Queenstown detters for Germany, Denmark, Sweder, Norway, Russia and Turkey must be directed "per City of Paris"); at 4 a m for Bellgum direct, per s. Friesland, via Antwerp, letters must be directed "per Friesland"; at 4 30 a m. for Germany Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Russia and Turkey, per s. s. Lain, via Riemen (letters for other European countries, via Southampton, must be directed "per Lain").

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ZION CHURCH, Madison-ave., cor. 35th-at., Rev. C. C. TIFFANY, D. D. Rector.—Services on Christman Day: At 10 a. m., Hely Communion: 11 3, m., Morning Prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion. Strangers well-prayer, Sermon and Holy Communion. CHRISTMAS DAY will be calebrated as usual by the congregations of the Callegiate Datch Church. Divine service will be held in the Church. 20th at and 5th ave., at 11 a.m. On this occasion the children of the six schools of the church will participate in the service.

MADISON AVENUE REFORMED CHURCH, cor 57th st. Christmas service morning at 11 Sermon by the Pastor, Rev. ABBUTT E. KITTREDGE, D. D.

CHURCH OF THE INCARNATION, Madison 35th-st., Rev. ARTHUR BROOKS, Rector.—X service, sermon and toly communion, at 11 a. m. icordially invited.